

Manager's Column

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### **Annual Reports Show that Your Water is Safe!**

*The mission of the Nipomo Community Services District is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.*

Have you ever wondered what's in your water? Well, rest assured that the District works around the clock to ensure that your water is safe.

Currently, the Nipomo Community Services District pumps and treats, on average, 2.2 million gallons of water every day with some summer days reaching as high as 4 million gallons per day!

The District takes the health of its customers very seriously. Currently, our water supply is 100% local groundwater. The District adds sodium hydroxide, also known as "chlorine" at each well site for disinfection and safety. More than 30 samples are taken across the distribution system each month to ensure a minimum amount of residual chlorine disinfectant is maintained in the water system.

Additionally, more extensive testing of the source water in each well is conducted by an independent contract laboratory on a schedule mandated by the State Health Department. During 2013 NCSD met all State and Federal sampling, treatment, and reporting requirements.

And most important of all, District operations staff are well trained professionals who understand their important role in maintaining the health and wellbeing of our water supply and community.

Keep your eye out in June for our annual Consumer Confidence Report (water quality report). This report will detail what's in your water and compare District water to State and Federal standards.

DROUGHT UPDATE: We remain in a Stage II drought condition and all Nipomo residents and businesses are encouraged to reduce water use by at least 20%. Last month, the District pumped nearly 55 Million gallons of groundwater to meet customer demand. This is a 15% improvement (reduction) compared to the five year average for April and 25% lower pumping than a year ago! That is a great start. With a long, hot summer ahead – please give it your best to cut back on that landscape irrigation. And never forget – saving water is its own reward because saving water, saves money.

The District's website provides helpful tips on how to reduce use both inside and outside. Visit us at [www.ncsd.ca.gov](http://www.ncsd.ca.gov).

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, we want to hear from you. Feel free to contact us at [info@ncsd.ca.gov](mailto:info@ncsd.ca.gov). If you have questions on water quality, please call us at 929-1133.

Until next time...

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